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THE PALESTINE QUESTION

United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States  
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The Security Council,

Recalling its resolutions of 15 July 1948 and 18 May 1951,

Having considered the report of the Chief of Staff of the United Nations Truce Supervisory Organization on the military activities in the Lake Tiberias area and in the Syrian-Israeli Demilitarized Zone,

Having heard the statements of the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic and Israel,

Being deeply concerned over developments in the area which have taken place in violation of the Charter and of the Armistice Agreement,

Recalling in particular the provisions of Article 2, paragraph 4 of the Charter, and Article 1 of the Syrian-Israeli General Armistice Agreement,

Noting with satisfaction that a cease-fire has been achieved,

1. Deplores the hostile exchanges between the Syrian Arab Republic and Israel starting on 8 March 1962 and calls upon the two Governments concerned to comply with their obligations under Article 2, paragraph 4 of the Charter by refraining from the threat as well as the use of force;
2. Reaffirms the Security Council resolution of 19 January 1956 which condemned Israeli military action in breach of the General Armistice Agreement, whether or not undertaken by way of retaliation;
3. Determines that the Israeli attack of 16-17 March 1962 constitutes a flagrant violation of that resolution and calls upon Israel scrupulously to refrain from such action in the future;
4. Endorses the measures recommended by the Chief of Staff for the strengthening of the Truce Supervisory Organization in its tasks of maintaining

and restoring the peace and of detecting and deterring future incidents, and calls upon the Israeli and Syrian authorities to assist the Chief of Staff in their early implementation;

5. Calls upon both parties to abide scrupulously by the cease-fire arranged by the Chief of Staff on 17 March 1962;

6. Calls for strict observance of Article 5 of the General Armistice Agreement which provides for the exclusion of armed forces from the Demilitarized Zone and Annex 4 of that Agreement which sets limits on forces in the Defensive Area, and calls upon the Governments of Israel and the Syrian Arab Republic to co-operate with the Chief of Staff in eliminating any violations thereof;

7. Calls upon the Governments of Israel and of the Syrian Arab Republic to co-operate with the Chief of Staff of the Truce Supervisory Organization in carrying out his responsibilities under the General Armistice Agreement and the pertinent resolutions of the Security Council and urges that all steps necessary for reactivating the Mixed Armistice Commission and for making full use of the Mixed Armistice machinery be promptly taken;

8. Requests the Chief of Staff of the Truce Supervisory Organization to report as appropriate concerning the situation.

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